

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF:

KAZUTAKA HAYASHI ET AL. : GROUP ART UNIT: 1772

SERIAL NO: 09/423,606

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FOR: GLASSY-FILM-FORMING COATING AGENT, AND COATING

METHOD AND SYSTEM USING THE SAME

## AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

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ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

SIR:

In response to the Official Action mailed July 9, 2002, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration in light of the following amendment and remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel Claim 4

Please amend the claims as shown in the marked-up copy attached to read as follows:

--1. (Amended) A glassy-film-forming coating agent comprising compounds

represented by the following general formulae (1), (2), and (3):

 $R^1_p Si(OR^2)_{4-p}$ 

(1)

 $R^2(OSi(OR^2)_2)_QOR^2$ 

(2)

 $M(OR^3)_r$ 

(3);

wherein

R<sup>1</sup> is a polymerizable organic group,